

Motorcycle Art Culture Show



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OVERVIEW

The 21st Chopper Fest will be held on Super Bowl Sunday, February 9, 2025 at the Ventura County Fairgrounds in Ventura, Ca from 8am-4pm.

The event features: Custom Culture & Art Show, All Brand Antique and Custom Motorcycle Show; Custom Bike Builder Displays featuring World Class Bike Builders; Hundreds of Motorcycle/Culture Vendors; a New and Used Motorcycle Parts Swap Meet; Live Rock and Blues Bands; Food and Beer. General admission is \$20 at the gate (\$15 online), Military with ID \$10, kids 12 & under free.

ART SHOW

Originally organized to showcase the work of *Easyriders* magazine artist David Mann after his passing, the Chopper Fest Art & Culture Show has evolved into an indoor multimedia art exhibit focused on up-and-coming and established artists that work in the genre of motorcycle, hot rod, and counter culture art. Artists from all over the country come to Chopper Fest to pay tribute to the Norman Rockwell of the biker world (an extensive collection of Mann's art is still displayed each year) and to meet like minded artists, industry professionals, and art patrons looking for something off the "beaten path". Artists are encouraged to create David Mann tribute art, be on-site to promote their art and do some live painting if possible. Artwork is displayed on fencing and tables supplied by Chopper Fest. Exhibit space is free and sized according to the artist's needs. Tables are 8ft long by 2.5ft wide. Bring

your own table clothes. All on-site art sales are commission free. The Art & Culture Show is promoted in all Chopper Fest's marketing efforts including print, digital, posters, flyers and postcards. Participating artists will communicate their space and display needs prior to the event. For those that need to ship or drop off art prior to the event, please confirm contents and delivery time to art show coordinator Sean McKean. Artists are responsible for picking up art or shipping cost post event. Artists can also send digital versions of their art for print.

Contact sean@chopperfestival.com for shipping address

Each year, *Paisano Publications, LLC* (*Easyriders* magazine) and Jacquie Mann (David's wife) generously grant Chopper Fest the commercial rights to one of David Mann's illustrations. Check out the home page at chopperfest.com for this year's featured art work.

ATTENDANCE

There were 6,000 attendees in 2019. Attendance grows approximately 15% a year. This year the Chopper Fest is budgeting for 7,000 guests.

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HISTORY

The Chopper Fest in Ventura California is a snapshot of America at its finest. Real people who think outside the box who can translate those thoughts into visual beauty both functional and artistic. Originally the brainchild of David "Huggie Bear" Hansen, Chopper Fest became much more than a showcase for futuristic Motorcycle design when famed artist David Mann died in Sept of 2004. The grief felt by the entire two wheel world found expression as those who loved and respected David lined the stage with his wife to honor him just three months after his death. The love for both the "artist" and the "lifestyle" he envisioned blended perfectly through a huge showing of his original art and an equally huge showcase of custom motorcycles. Bike Builders from across the nation came to both honor David Mann at his passing and welcome the birth of his signature event. Chopper Fest is forever dedicated to the design, function and art of the motorcycle through those talented enough to create and those creative enough to appreciate talent.

SCHEDULE

Saturday (setup only)

Artist check-in and setup in Anacapa Hall from 12pm - 5pm
For artists with their own displays and those that want to get a head start.

Sunday

Artist Check-In and setup from 6:30am - 8am

Gates Open to the public at 8am

New and Used Swap Meet from 8am - 4pm

Art Exhibit from 9am - 4pm

David Mann Humanitarian Award Presentation at 2pm

Bike Show Awards at 3pm

End at 4pm

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DIRECTIONS

From Los Angeles

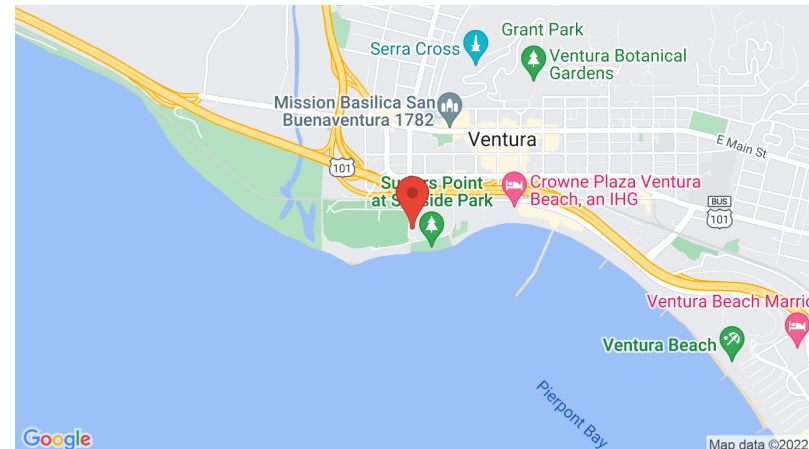
The Ventura County Fairgrounds (10 W. Harbor Blvd. Ventura, Ca 93001) are located on the beach in the city of Ventura, about 1 hour north of Los Angeles.

From the Ventura Freeway (Highway 101) northbound, take the Seaward Ave. exit or the California Street exit. Turn left towards the ocean to Harbor Blvd., turn right on Harbor and continue until you reach The Ventura County Fairgrounds at the corner of Harbor and Figueroa. Turn left on Figueroa to enter the Fairgrounds' parking lot.

From Santa Barbara

The Ventura County Fairgrounds (10 W. Harbor Blvd. Ventura, Ca 93001) are located on the beach in the city of Ventura, about 30 minutes south of Santa Barbara.

From the Ventura Freeway (Highway 101) southbound, take the Seaward Ave. exit, make an immediate right on Harbor Blvd. and proceed to Ventura County Fairgrounds at Seaside Park. Turn left on Figueroa to enter the Fairgrounds' parking lot.



Contact Sean McKean at 818.681.9719 or Sean@ChopperFestival.com